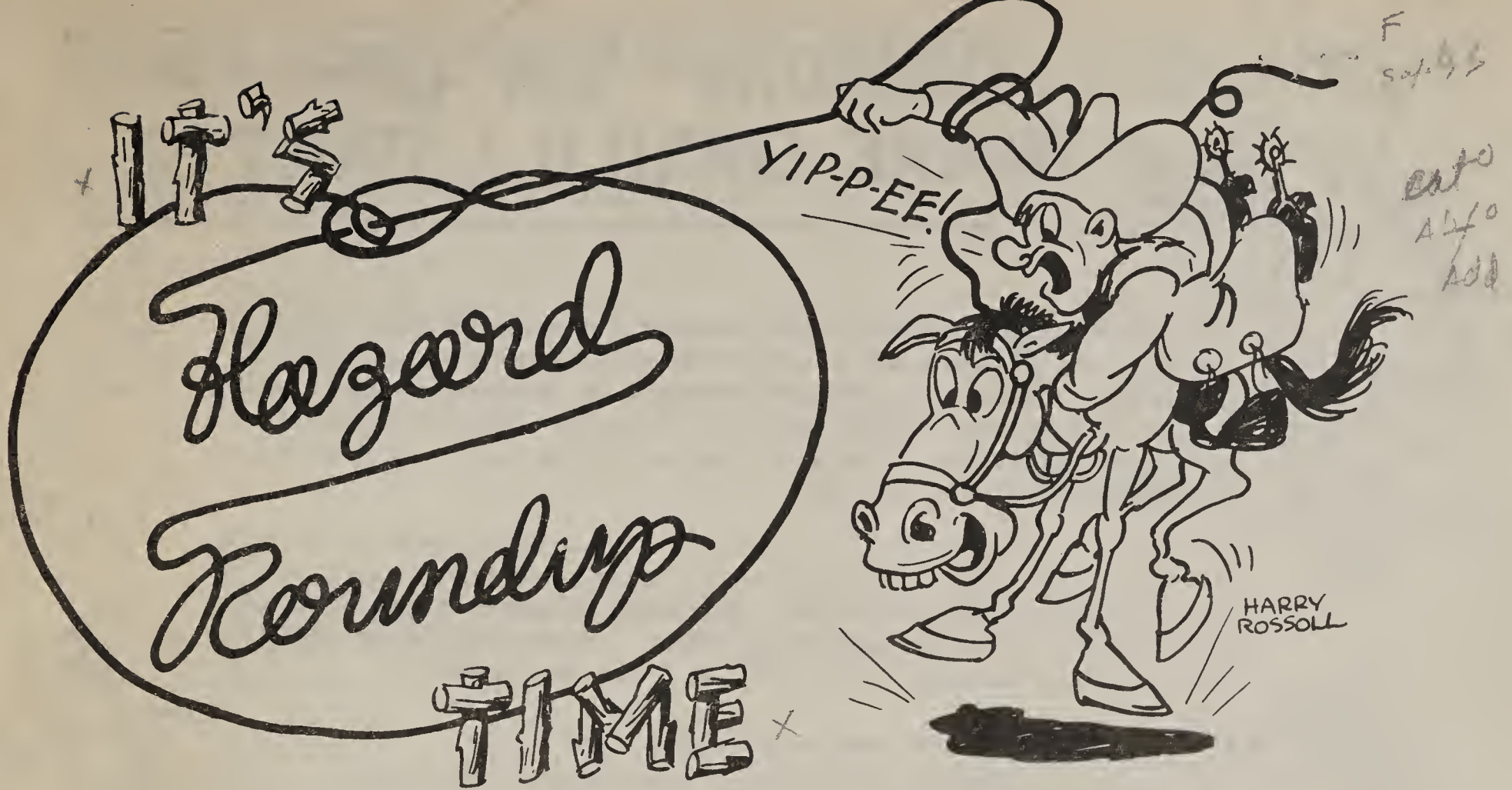


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Are you ready to hit the trail? By the time this reaches you, the big Forest Service Hazard Roundup will be in full swing. It will last all through 1948. The sooner all of us get started, the sooner we'll get our bucking injury rate down to earth where we can hog-tie it.

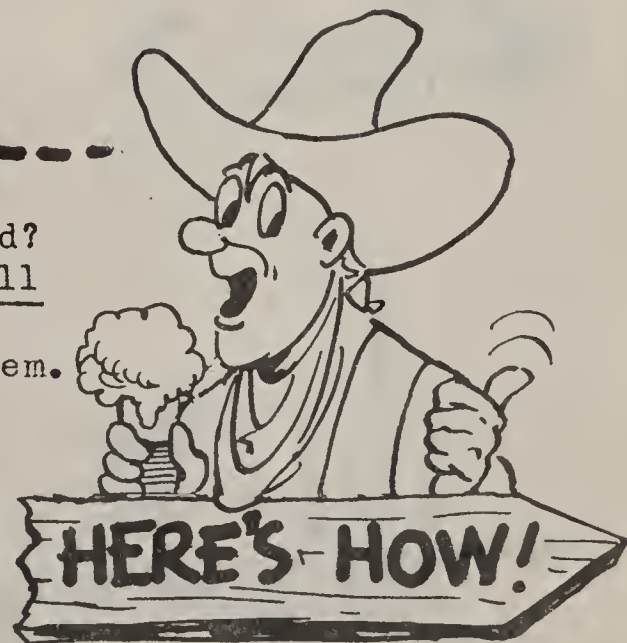


NOW-LET'S GET PERSONAL!

A dozen of us are killed every year while working in the Forest Service. Even if you laugh off your chances of being killed, we bet you don't want to get hurt. Well, every year you have 92 more chances of hurting yourself than of getting killed. Will you be one of the four Forest Service people hurt every working day? You could be, unless you're smart enough to avoid it. That's where the Hazard Roundup comes in.

INJURIES CAN BE PREVENTED...

Did you ever stop to think that injuries can be avoided? Injury prevention is a part of the job - your job - all jobs in the Forest Service. Injuries don't need to happen to you. The things you do and don't do make 'em. Usually there is more than one way to stop 'em, too.



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... ROUNDIN' 'EM UP--- WHERE SHOULD I START??

One way is through the right supervision, and we mean SUPER-VISION. If you are a work supervisor (strawboss, brasshat, foreman, buck beaver, the ranger man, or what have you) you're a top hand in the hazard hunt. Use super-vision to plan for and eliminate hazards before somebody gets hurt. Train 'em in the SAFE way to do the job!

Put if you're not one of the boss men, there's still a safety job for you to do -- and a big one! Put first, let's talk about how injuries happen. Most of 'em have two causes:

- (1) Unsafe work conditions, and
- (2) Unsafe thinking. Take the man who climbs a rickety ladder. He's asking for a broken neck. The ladder is unsafe; and if he thought before his climb, he would not take the chance.



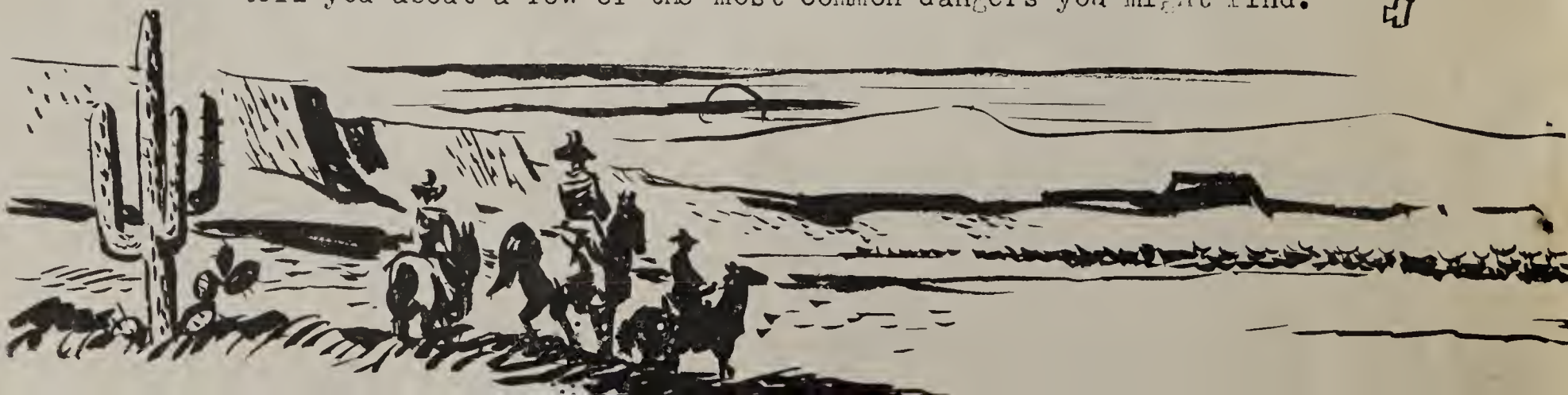
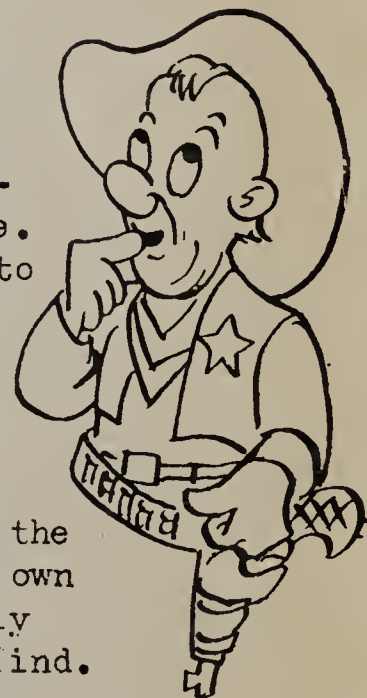
Unless you try to prevent injury by working on both causes, you're likely to be an early victim.

HOW CAN I RECOGNIZE HAZARDS!

A good first step to keep yourself and family safe from injury is to take an hour for a hazard hunt through your home. Go looking for trouble! While you're walking around, try to think of the little things you do in each room which might hurt you when you least expect it.



After you get your home and family all fixed up safely, do the same thing on the job. You'll find it easy to become your own safety expert. Without visiting you personally, we can only tell you about a few of the most common dangers you might find.



WHAT HAZARDS MAKE THE MOST TROUBLE?

First, a lot of us break arms and legs and bruise and batter ourselves just by taking spills. We often work in steep, rough country where falls are common -- but did you ever stop to think that stairs are killers too? As you go about your work, remember that falling persons and falling objects caused nearly one-third of all our injuries last year. So look out for things that might make you fall or which may fall themselves - unsafe work conditions.

Now let's take a look at hand tools. They cause one out of every four of our injuries. That old devil, the axe, accounts for 10%. Most of these come from glancing blows. So next time you use one, THINK! See if you can weed out a few hazards.

We get a lot of trouble from handling objects too - lifting, pushing, pulling, hoisting - everything from machines and desks to lumber, cement, and rocks. Use your head - lift with your leg muscles instead of your back. You'll enjoy life better!

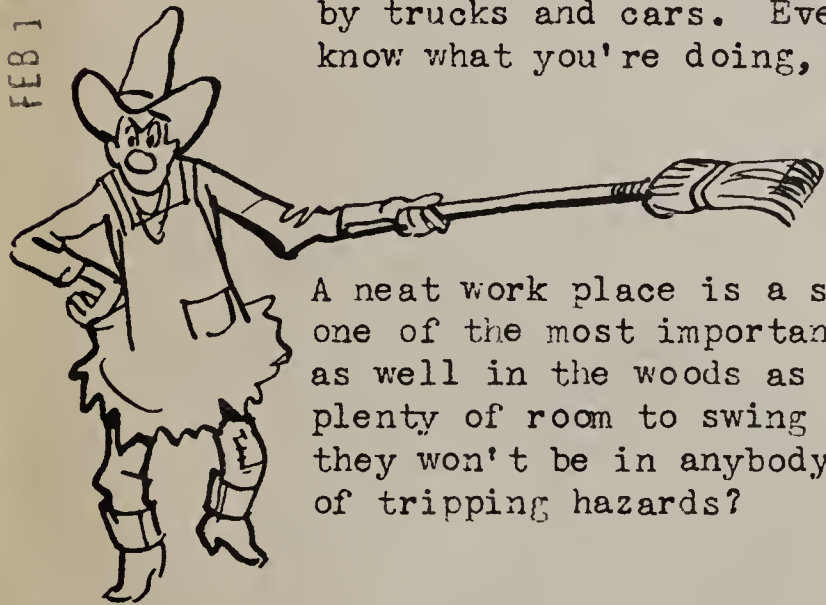
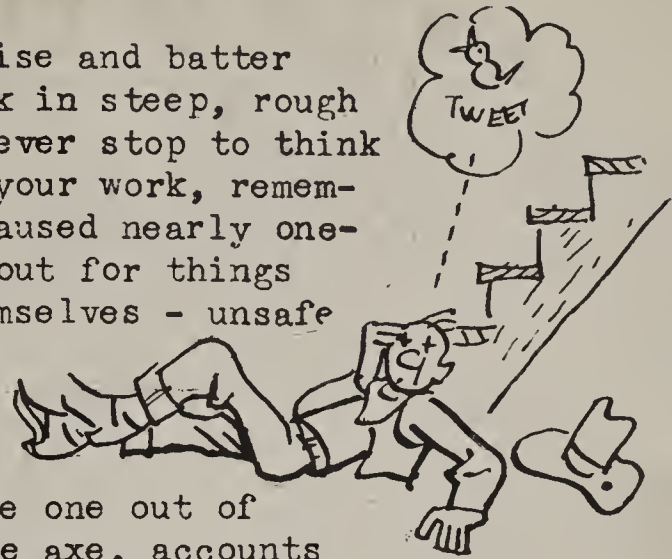
Speaking about machines -- a third of our deaths is caused by trucks and cars. Every time you operate one be sure you know what you're doing, then use your head.

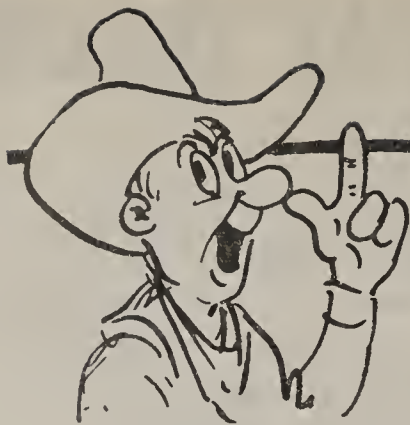
HOW'S YOUR HOUSEKEEPING, BUDDY?

A neat work place is a safe work place. Good housekeeping is one of the most important safety rules, and this applies just as well in the woods as it does in the office. Is there plenty of room to swing your axe? Are your tools stored so they won't be in anybody's way? Are the log landings free of tripping hazards?

And a roundup isn't complete if we leave out horseback riding and stock handling. Every year dozens get hurt, and once in a while someone gets killed. It's dangerous work, so watch for hazards all the time when with stock.

We have not by any means visited all your jobs, but hope we have given you a clue to successful hazard hunting. Now go ahead and see what you can do to bring greater safety to your home and your job.



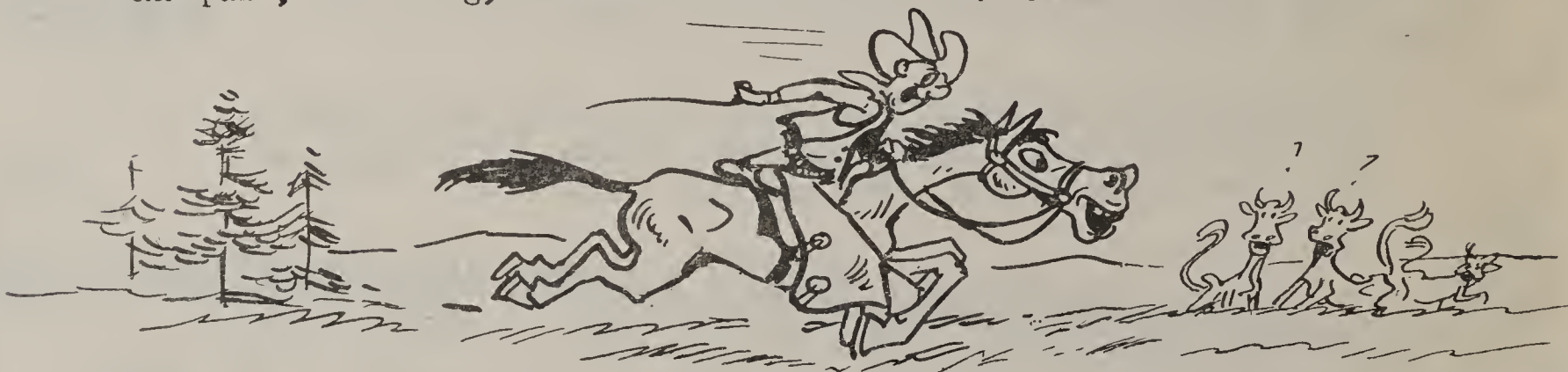


ONE LAST SUGGESTION!

This will help you become your own best lifeguard - and maybe save you from a lifetime of regret. Make one day a week your injury prevention day. See how many hazards to your safety you can spot, and how you can stop 'em in the future. Check yourself through the day and make your own safety rules as you go along.



We must admit that no one can keep you safe as well as you can. Your habits - the way you do things - are different from all other people's. They can make all the difference between a safe life and one full of the pain, suffering, and costs of needless injury.



So now let's get in the saddle and ride 'em cowboy! Start ridin' herd on those little dogies - rope 'em, brand 'em, and get 'em in the corral. The injury wolves are still on the loose, and don't stop rounding 'em up until you're sure your job is SAFE. Remember, you're playing for big stakes. We want you ALL to be SAFETY'S TOP HANDS.



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